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# gsuview

A newsletter for students, faculty & staff



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## News

### Undergraduate and Graduate Open House – March 23



Learn more about Governors State at an upcoming Undergraduate and Graduate Open House on **Saturday, March 23**. Information will be provided about admission requirements, academic programs, campus resources, student activities, and on-campus housing at [Prairie Place](#).

[Learn more and register.](#)

## LiveSafe Forum



GSU's new [LiveSafe app](#) allows the Jaguar community to communicate with individuals and departments on campus, including Public Safety and Prairie Place, to report safety tips, provide real-time virtual escorts, and access emergency resources. To introduce LiveSafe, GSU's Emergency Response Team will be hosting two forums.

Join us the GSU Emergency Response Team for a forum on the following dates:

- Tuesday, February 19: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. in Engbretson Hall
- Monday, February 25: noon – 1 p.m. in the Hall of Honors

Please plan to attend one of these sessions to familiarize yourself with the LiveSafe app.

## Ellen Silver-Horrell



Teachers look like experts to a classroom full of students, whether they are learning the alphabet or parsing particle physics. Failing to grasp a lesson can trigger anxiety and the fear of appearing stupid to others. Students of [Ellen Silver-Horrell](#) know she once felt the same way because she tells them she has a learning disability.

[Read more . . .](#)

## Reverend Albert Sampson Returns to GSU



Reverend Albert Sampson—GSU alumnus, history maker, and the last minister ever ordained by Martin Luther King Jr.—returns to share his journey with GSU on **Tuesday, February 26**, beginning with a reception held in the Visual Art Gallery at 6:30 p.m. Rev. Sampson's talk will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Sherman Hall.

[Register for the event.](#)

## Second Annual CSIFF Accepting Submissions



The Chicago Southland International Film Festival is accepting submissions for its second annual festival at Governors State University. The international short film competition featuring both student and professional films from around the globe will take place **September 6 – 7**, and

the Feature Film Showcase (non-competition) will consist of feature film screenings on **September 8**.

[Submit your film](#) for consideration, and learn more at [www.govst.edu/CSIFF](http://www.govst.edu/CSIFF).

## Library Lovers Month



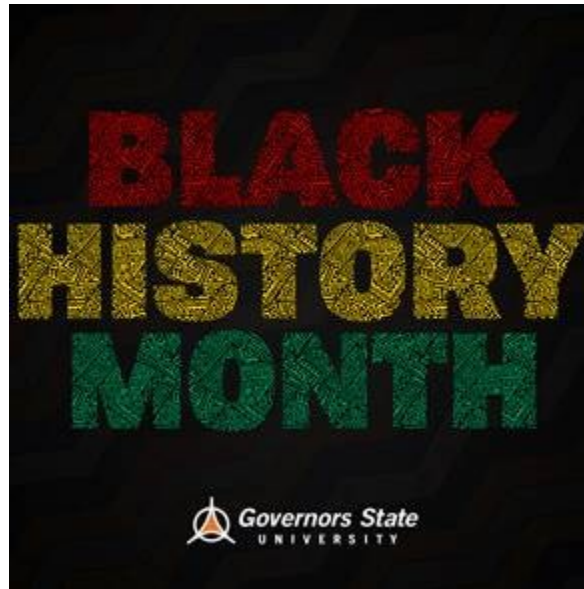
February is Library Lovers Month, and the GSU Library is looking for students to help decorate the Valentine Book Tree.

Stop by the Stress Free Study Zone (also known as the Library Balcony) and pick up a valentine to decorate. Valentines, stickers, crayons, and ribbon are available, and once you are done, you can leave your valentine right on the table to be added to the Valentine Tree.

Questions? Contact [GSUlibraryinfo@govst.edu](mailto:GSUlibraryinfo@govst.edu).



## Black History Month at GSU



Join in the celebration of Black History Month with programming throughout February. View events, discussions, and exhibits being hosted across the university [here](#).

For more information, contact [Robert Clay](#).

### Announcements and Events

## Student Senate Meeting

Students are encouraged to attend this important meeting to discuss student club and organization budget process, upcoming elections, and the referendum for tuition and fees increase for undergraduate and graduate students.

The meeting will be held **Wednesday, February 13** at 3:30 p.m. in Engbretson Hall.

## GSU Research Salon



All members of the GSU community are invited to a two-part GSU Research Salon to discuss writing projects and accountability goals with fellow researchers.

The first session will take place **Friday, February 15** from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. on the Library Balcony, known as the Stress Free Study Zone. The day will include sessions on goal setting, writing, accountability, and a break-out session. There will also be a lunch break, and light refreshments will be provided. Attendees will be included in a raffle drawing for a faculty/staff or student gift card.

Questions? Email [Dr. Alli Cipra](#) or [Dr. Jelena Radovic-Fanta](#). Can't make this session? Mark your calendars for the second session on **April 5**.

This event was made possible through funding by a GSU Intellectual Life Grant.

## Walking Taco Fundraiser



The National Student Speech Language Hearing Association (NSSLHA) is having a Walking Taco Fundraiser on **Tuesday, February 19**, from noon – 3 p.m. in the Hall of Governors. Each walking taco will cost \$2. Please come and support NSSLHA!



## SHERO Women's Leadership Symposium Rescheduled

The S.H.E.R.O. Women's Leadership Symposium inspires women to seek their highest level of personal and professional development through a greater understanding of leadership and the acquisition of new ideas to optimize and sustain personal potential. S.H.E.R.O. stands for sharing her story of empowerment, resilience, and opportunity.

The annual SHERO Women's Leadership Symposium has been rescheduled to **Friday, April 5**. [Register here](#) by **Friday, March 22**.

## Writing Center Tutors Available in the Library



All semester, tutors from the Writing Center will be available during scheduled hours to help you develop fundamental writing skills—no appointment needed.

Tutors can be found at the library service desk across from the library balcony on the following days and times throughout the semester:

Monday: noon – 4 p.m.

Tuesday: 5 – 9 p.m.

Wednesday: noon – 4 p.m.

Thursday: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Saturday: noon – 4 p.m.

For an in-depth session, you are invited to make an appointment with staff in the Writing Center. Visit [govst.mywconline.com](http://govst.mywconline.com) to schedule an appointment.

Questions? Email [GSUlibraryinfo@govst.edu](mailto:GSUlibraryinfo@govst.edu).

## GUIDE Project Internships Available for Juniors and Seniors

Are you looking for a summer research opportunity? Consider becoming a GUIDE Project Scholar!

GUIDE stands for GSU-UICC Disparities Education and is a cancer research training grant between GSU and the University of Illinois Cancer Center. The GUIDE project is focused on cancer health disparities and has paid summer research internships available for juniors and seniors. Some of the research activities include attending workshops or conferences, conducting literature reviews, and preparing research poster presentations.

If you're interested in this amazing opportunity, please contact [Dr. DeLawnia Comer-HaGans](#) for an application and more information. Be sure to request your application early, as applications are due **February 28**.

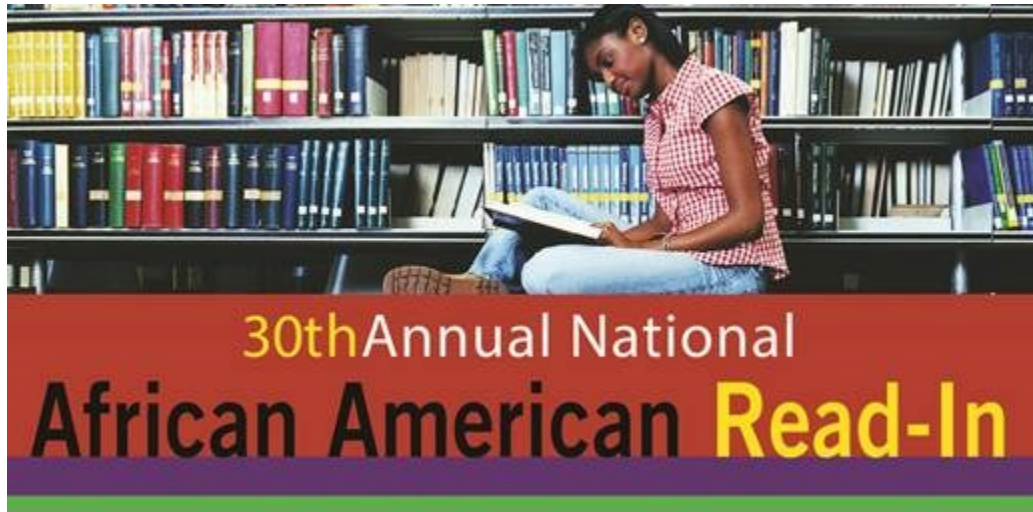
## Submit your Creative Work to “Reconstructed”



Calling all creators at GSU! “Reconstructed,” the university’s literary and visual arts journal, is accepting submissions through **Friday, February 15** for its annual print issue.

Submit your photos, stories, poems, drawings, sculptures, ceramics, short films, plays, essays, reviews, interviews, flash fiction, novel excerpts, original songs, and any other creative endeavor to [reconstructed@govst.edu](mailto:reconstructed@govst.edu). Visit [reconstructedjournal.com](http://reconstructedjournal.com) for submission guidelines and more information.

## 30th Annual National African American Read-In



Join over a million readers from all backgrounds in celebration of literacy and Black History Month for the 30th Annual National African American Read-In on **Monday, February 25**, from 6 – 8 p.m. in the Hall of Honors.

To sign up, contact [Dr. Rashidah Muhammad](#) (708.534.6974) or [Merri Wilkerson](#) (708.534.4012). Sponsored by College of Arts and Sciences, English Department, Student Life, and the Black Caucus of NCTE ([www.ncte.org](http://www.ncte.org)). Endorsed by the International Reading Association.

## Superhero Literacy Night with Families



The Student Education Association (SEA) and Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society (KDP) are taking part in a Literacy Night on **Wednesday, February 27** from 5:30 – 7 p.m. at Monee Elementary School District 201. The theme for the literacy activities for the event is “Superheroes.” The activities will give students the opportunity to use their reading and writing skills in an engaging and fun way.

[Click](#) for more information.

## Respond to Violence "Speakers Corner"

Do you have a story about how violence has impacted your life? If so, we want to talk with you. The Respond to Violence initiative is taping student stories as a part of our ongoing “Speakers Corner,” designed to give voice to those affected by violence.

Some of the final videos will be shared on the [Respond to Violence webpage](#). Taping will take place **Monday, March 4**, from 9 a.m. – noon and **Wednesday, March 6**, from 1 – 5 p.m. in Digital Learning and Media Design.

For more information or to sign up for a taping slot, please email [Yvette Brown](#).

## GRE and LSAT Preparation Courses



Hosted by the School of Extended Learning, the GRE and LSAT Preparation Courses will begin Saturday, **March 30** from 9 a.m. – noon at GSU. Registrations are still being accepted and the deadline is **March 18**.

Register [here](#) for the GRE Preparation Course.

Register [here](#) for the LSAT Preparation Course.

For more information, please contact Dr. Felicia L. Townsend, Director of Corporate and Community Education at [ftownsend@govst.edu](mailto:ftownsend@govst.edu) or 708.534.3044.

## Avoiding Pitfalls in Public Speaking



*Instructor*  
**Jeanne Sparrow**

Hosted by the School of Extended Learning, the Avoiding Pitfalls in Public Speaking workshop will take place **Wednesday, April 10**, 9 a.m. – noon at GSU. During a recent Training News interview with Dr. Felicia L. Townsend, workshop instructor, [Jeanne Sparrow](#) highlighted topics that will be covered during the workshop. Register for the workshop [here](#). GSU staff, faculty, students, and alumni use discount code GSU55 during checkout.

For more information, please email [Dr. Felicia L. Townsend](#), Director of Corporate and Community Education or by calling 708.534.3044.

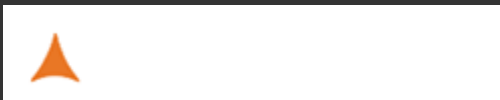
### Workshops & Trainings

A list of workshops for students, faculty, and staff, including Mindfulness and Meditation workshops and the spring 2019 faculty headshot photography schedule, can be found [here](#).

**Faculty:** If you have not already done so, it's time to have a new headshot photograph taken. Please refer to the [schedule](#) to find a convenient time.

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**Do you have a story or event you want to submit for the GSU View?**  
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